

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claim 1 (original): A display device comprising a display panel with a substrate, and a frame including a supporting portion for supporting the display panel on the periphery thereof and on a principal surface of the substrate,

wherein the supporting portion includes a flat portion and a first curved portion, which are opposed to the principal surface of the substrate, the first curved portion being continuous with the flat portion, and

wherein the principal surface of the substrate is fixed onto the flat portion either directly or indirectly, and

wherein while no external force is being applied to the substrate, a gap is left between the principal surface of the substrate and the first curved portion.

Claim 2 (original): The display device of claim 1, wherein the supporting portion includes a second curved portion that faces the first curved portion.

Claim 3 (currently amended): The display device of claim 1 ~~or 2~~, wherein the principal surface of the substrate is fixed onto the flat portion with an adhesive layer.

Claim 4 (currently amended): The display device of claim 1 ~~or 2~~, further comprising a reinforcing plate between the principal surface of the substrate and the flat portion of the supporting portion.

Claim 5 (original): The display device of claim 4, wherein the reinforcing plate is fixed onto the flat portion with an adhesive layer.

Claim 6 (currently amended): The display device of ~~one of claims~~ claim 1 to 5, wherein the supporting portion is made of an elastic material.

Claim 7 (currently amended): The display device of ~~one of claims~~ claim 1 to 6, wherein the substrate is a plastic substrate.

Claim 8 (new): The display device of claim 2, wherein the principal surface of the substrate is fixed onto the flat portion with an adhesive layer.

Claim 9 (new): The display device of claim 2, further comprising a reinforcing plate between the principal surface of the substrate and the flat portion of the supporting portion.

Claim 10 (new): The display device of claim 9, wherein the reinforcing plate is fixed onto the flat portion with an adhesive layer.

Claim 11 (new): The display device of claim 2, wherein the supporting portion is made of an elastic material.

Claim 12 (new): The display device of claim 2, wherein the substrate is a plastic substrate.